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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RULE 53(b)
CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application of pending prior Application No. 10/094,763, (Confirmation No. 4585), filed March 8, 2002.

Transmitted herewith for filing are the:

- Specification (288 pages);
- Claims (27);
- Abstract;
- Copy of executed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- Preliminary Amendment;
- Application Data Sheet; and
- Postcard;

for filing in the above-identified patent application.

The enclosed declaration is:

- Unexecuted.
- Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)).
- A signed statement is attached deleting inventors named in the prior application (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)).
- The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- The prior application, Application No. 10/094,763, filed March 8, 2002, is assigned of record to Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated.

Also transmitted herewith are:

- Three (3) sheets of:
- Formal drawings.
- Informal drawings. Formal drawings will be filed during the pendency of this application.
- An assignment of the invention to _____.
- A check in the amount of \$40.00 to cover the recording fee.
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- An associate power of attorney.



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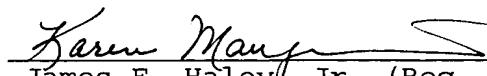
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